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**DATE:** November 1, 2023

**TO:** Maine Ag Trades Show Exhibit Booth Applicant

**FROM:** Maine Ag Trades Show Organizers, MDACF

**CC:** Craig Lapine, Director, Bureau of Agriculture, Food & Rural Resources; Michelle Webb, Division Director, Agricultural Resource Development

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Conditional Awards for **Booth Space** at the Maine Ag Trades Show

Thank you for your interest in the 2024 Maine Agricultural Trades Show (ATS). The Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry (MDACF) will host the show January 9-11, 2024, at the Augusta Civic Center in Augusta, Maine.

**The MDACF is announcing its conditional awards for rental booth space at the 2024 show. This document has multiple pages. Please note: A separate announcement will be made about participants selected for Conference Session, "Maine" Stage, and Listening Post.**

**Selected Exhibitors are alphabetically listed below in the following order:**

1. Applicants selected for a shared retail area, the Real Maine marketplace pop-up, for direct-to-consumer sales of Maine farm goods at the show,
2. Applicants selected for their own spaces – prioritized for multiple booth spaces,
3. Applicants selected for their own spaces – prioritized for one, single booth.

**Currently, the following applicants are invited to share a double booth and join the Real Maine Marketplace pilot pop-up. *Must have active Real Maine membership by Dec. 1.***

- Bartlettyarns
- Maine Grains
- Misty Acres Alpaca Farm
- The Good Crust

**Currently, the following applicants are prioritized to be assigned multiple booth spaces:**

- Active Intelligence Drones
- Beauregard Equipment
- Casella Organics
- GEA F.T. Inc.
- JS Woodhouse Co., Inc.
- Kramer's, Inc.
- Kuhn North America
- Maine Maple Producers Assoc.
- OESCO, Inc.
- Paris Farmers Union
- Scott's Recreation
- Union Farm Equipment, Inc.
- Univ. of Maine Cooperative Extension | *General booth*
- Waterman Farm Machinery
- Wellscroft Fence Systems, LLC

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**Currently, the following applicants will be assigned one (single) booth space (8 X 10):**

- American National Insurance Company
- Arthur Carroll Insurance Agency
- Austin Associates, P.A.
- Brookdale Farm Supplies
- Carolina Eastern Vail
- Coastal Enterprises, Inc.
- Country Folks weekly farm newspaper
- Dairy One
- Downeast Nursery
- Farm Credit East, ACA
- Farmers Draft Horse, Mule & Pony Club
- Fedco Seeds Inc
- Finance Authority of Maine (FAME)
- Frazer Insurance Agency, Inc.
- Good Shepherd Food Bank - Mainers Feeding Mainers
- Hannaford Supermarkets, Inc.
- Husson University and University of Maine Cooperative Extension Community First Responder Program
- Kelsey Kobik Farm Photography
- Kent Nutrition Group/Blue Seal Feeds
- Kreher Enterprise
- Living Acres
- Maine Agriculture in the Classroom
- Maine Antique Tractor Club
- Maine Aquaculture Association
- Maine Association of Agriculture Fairs
- Maine Association of Conservation Districts
- Maine Beef Producers Association
- Maine Cheese Guild
- Maine DACF | PFAS Info
- Maine DACF | Plant Health Programs
- Maine Dairy Industry Association
- Maine Dairy & Nutrition Council
- Maine DECD Office of Tourism
- Maine DECD Office of Business Development
- Maine Farm Bureau Association
- Maine Farmland Trust
- Maine Farm & Sea Cooperative
- Maine Federation of Farmers Markets
- Maine Forest Service
- Maine Grain Alliance
- Maine Laboratories LLC
- Maine Landscape and Nursery Association (MELNA)
- Maine Network of Community Food Councils
- Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association
- Maine Sheep Breeders Association
- Maine State Beekeepers Association
- Maine State Grange
- Maine State Harness Racing Commission
- Maine State Pomological Society
- Maine TREE & Maine Tree Farm Program
- Maine WIC Nutrition Program
- Maine Winery Guild
- Master Logger Certification Program
- Nutrien Ag Solutions
- Ocean Organics Corp
- Poulin Grain
- Rimol Greenhouse Systems, LLC
- RISE (Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment)
- SCORE Maine
- Standard Biocarbon Corporation Biochar Agricultural Applications
- Suga Country Products
- University of Maine | BARRACUDA
- University of Maine Cooperative Extension | Maine Agricultural Mediation Program (MAMP) & AgrAbility

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- University of Maine Cooperative Extension | Maine New Farmers Project
- University of Maine Cooperative Extension | Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)
- USDA | Farm Service Agency (FSA)
- USDA | National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Northeastern Region
- USDA | Natural Resources Conservation Service
- USDA | Rural Development
- Wild Blueberry Commission of Maine
- Woods End Laboratories LLC / Solvita®

**Please note** that every year, MDACF does its best to accommodate requests for rental booth space at the ATS. Because requests typically exceed available spaces, MDACF takes into consideration the following factors when allocating booth space:

- Maine-based producers, agricultural groups, equipment suppliers, and service providers.
- Products, services, etc., directly linked to the agriculture or forestry sectors.
- Crops/products commonly grown or produced in Maine and licensed or programmatically supported by MDACF, including applicable business licenses.
- Content enhances attendee networking and year-round enrichment opportunities of Maine's natural resources business sectors.
- Achievable event logistic coordination, space availability, timely application submission, participant can submit timely payment.

**MDACF utilizes its discretion in making final decisions and additional awards and/or additional booth spaces may be offered.**

**If you have been awarded an exhibit booth space:**

- The Department will contact the listed Exhibitors soon with agreements, and space assignments.
- Rental and availability of space is subject to receipt of timely payment outlined in forthcoming invoice from the State of Maine, and submission of required documents, including acceptance of [participant terms and conditions](#).
- This letter does NOT constitute the formation of a contract between the Department and the Exhibitor.
- Information and updates about the Maine Agricultural Trades Show is available online at: [www.maine.gov/dacf/agtradesshow](http://www.maine.gov/dacf/agtradesshow)
- For reference only, general layout of booths by area – assignments to be announced:

